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holder in the main body in order to separate the holder from the other holder for playing back the recording medium held by the holder, the recording medium may fall out of the holder because of lack of the holding power of the holder to the recording medium.

An object of the present invention is to provide a playback apparatus for recording medium to prevent a recording medium from falling out of the holding member when the holding member for the recording medium is downsized and the playback apparatus is downsized.

[means for solving problem]

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For attaining the object, according to the present invention as claimed in claim 1, there is provided

- a playback apparatus for recording medium comprising:
- a receiving chamber in which a plurality of holding members for holding recording media are overlapped;
- a playback device for moving in a direction of the overlapped recording media and clamping a selected recording medium held by the holding member for playback;
- a separating device for positioning the holder holding the selected recording medium at a position respectively predetermined by separating the holder holding the selected recording medium from the other holder in the direction of the overlapped recording media at the time when the playback device plays back the selected recording

medium;

a transporting device for transporting the playback device to a position where the playback device faces a recording surface of the selected recording medium;

a first stopper being attached to a first wall in the direction of overlapping the holding members and interposed between a slot and the holding members,

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said first stopper moving with the playback device and supporting the other media at the first wall side from the selected recording medium when the playback device playing back the selected recording medium;

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a second stopper being attached to a second wall in the direction of overlapping the holding members and interposed between the slot and the holding members, said second stopper supporting the other media at the second wall side from the selected recording medium when the playback device playing back the selected recording medium;

a swing stopper being movable along with the playback device in the direction of overlapping the holding members, and interposed between the slot and the holding members for holding the selected medium until the playback device clamping the selected medium to playback, said swing stopper being saved from the selected medium when the playback device clamps the selected medium; and

an auxiliary stopper being movable along with the playback device in the direction of overlapping the holding members, and interposed between the slot and the holding members, said auxiliary stopper supporting the other media at the second wall side from the selected medium with the second stopper.

[best mode for carrying out the invention]

Hereunder, a playback apparatus for recording medium according to an embodiment of the present invention will be explained.

In the playback apparatus, a first stopper supports first media to

which the first stopper is closer than one medium to be played back, a second stopper supports second media to which the second stopper is closer than the one medium to be played back, and a swing stopper supports the one medium to be played back.

Thus, the one medium is prevented from falling out of the holder when the one recording medium is played back.

CLAIMS

- 1 (Amended) A playback apparatus for recording medium comprising:
- a receiving chamber in which a plurality of holding members for holding recording media are overlapped;
- a playback device for moving in a direction of the overlapped recording media and clamping a selected recording medium held by the holding member for playback;
- a separating device for positioning the holder holding the selected recording medium at a position respectively predetermined by separating the holder holding the selected recording medium from the other holder in the direction of the overlapped recording media at the time when the playback device plays back the selected recording medium;
- a transporting device for transporting the playback device to a position where the playback device faces a recording surface of the selected recording medium;
- a first stopper being attached to a first wall in the direction of overlapping the holding members and interposed between a slot and the holding members, said first stopper moving with the playback device and supporting the other media at the first wall side from the selected recording medium when the playback device playing back the selected recording medium;
 - a second stopper being attached to a second wall in the direction

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of overlapping the holding members and interposed between the slot and the holding members, said second stopper supporting the other media at the second wall side from the selected recording medium when the playback device playing back the selected recording medium;

a swing stopper being movable along with the playback device in the direction of overlapping the holding members, and interposed between the slot and the holding members for holding the selected medium until the playback device clamping the selected medium to playback, said swing stopper being saved from the selected medium when the playback device clamps the selected medium; and

an auxiliary stopper being movable along with the playback device in the direction of overlapping the holding members, and interposed between the slot and the holding members, said auxiliary stopper supporting the other media at the second wall side from the selected medium with the second stopper.

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The playback apparatus for recording medium as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:

an up-down stopper being movable along with the playback device in the direction of overlapping the holding members, and interposed between the slot and the holding members for supporting the recording media held by the holding members.

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